

TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, WARREN COUNTY

Green Team Minutes

October 13, 2011

The Green Team meeting was held this date at the Mansfield Township Municipal Building, 100 Port Murray Road, Port Murray, N.J. The meeting was called to order 7:30 p.m.

Present: Drew Di Sessa, Robert Jewell, Orson Kirk, and JoAnn Fascenelli

Absent: Jennifer Keggan, Michael Clancy, RJ Streng, Kathy Todd, Becky Harm, Sherrie Tromp and Michele Largman

Also Present: Ellen Nerbak (Committeewoman) and 3 members of the public

Ms. Nerbak advised she is attending in Mr. Clancy's stead. Ms. Nerbak is also a member of the Economic Development Committee and is interested in learning what the Green Team has planned in that capacity.

Mr. Di Sessa explained the Support Local Businesses program and suggested that Ms. Nerbak visit the Sustainable Jersey web-site for other possible actions. Some suggestions were the Buy Local Campaign, Green Business Recognition Program, and Green Jobs/Economic Development Program.

Bid Specification for Electric: The Township Clerk is presently working on a bid specification for an electric supplier.

TransOptions: Mr. Di Sessa and Mrs. Fascenelli met with Mr. Joseph Caravella and Mr. Daniel Callas from TransOptions on September 12, 2011. Mr. Caravella explained how they can assist the Green Team and he will prepare some categories for the Green Team to review. To date there has been no contact from Mr. Caravella.

ANJEC: Mrs. Pante' advised two (2) educational programs are scheduled for November 10, 2011 to commence at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Pante' and Mrs. Fascenelli will work on advertising these programs; "Sustainable Communities" and "Selling Energy Conservation in Your Town".

Incentive Bonuses: The Green Team briefly discussed the programs in which the Township would receive incentive bonuses (cash). Some of the programs discussed were the Efficient Home Heating & Cooling Subsidies program, Energy STAR appliances, and the Refrigerator-Freezer Recycling Program. All of these programs require the appointment of an Outreach Coordinator. It was suggested that the Green Team advertise for this position as a long term VOLUNTEER position. Mrs. Fascenelli will prepare an ad and submit same to the Green Team for suggestions/revisions. Approval will also have to be obtained from the Township Committee. Mrs. Fascenelli will prepare information for the October 26, 2011 township meeting.

Recycling: Mrs. Fascenelli advised effective January 2012 the Mansfield Township Recycling Depot will be located at the Department Of Public Works New Garage – 1710 Route 57. The depot will be open the second Saturday of every month from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Town-Wide Shredding Event: Will be held October 22, 2011 starting at 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Department Of Public Works Garage – 1710 Route 57.

Mrs. Fascenelli stated that the first Township Electronic Waste Disposal event held on August 20, 2011 was very successful and plans are being made to host 2 events in 2012 in order to supplement Warren County's household hazardous waste cleanup and computer parts/electronics collections.

Ongoing Projects:

1. Support Local Businesses – Ms. Keggan will prepare a list of categories.
2. Construction & Demolition Waste Recycling Ordinance – Mr. Di Sessa will update the ordinance.
3. Outdoor Furnace Ordinance – will be discussed at the next meeting.

Next Green Team meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

Respectfully Submitted,

JoAnn Fascenelli